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**From:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 04, 2008 2:47 PM
**To:** Smith; Lynne M (GOV)
**Subject:** FW: Sam's Club is Corporate Chair of Center for Women's Business Research Symposium on Businesses Owned by Women of Color

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**From:** CfWBR Info [mailto:info@cfwbr.org]
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 04, 2008 12:00 PM
**To:** CfWBR Info
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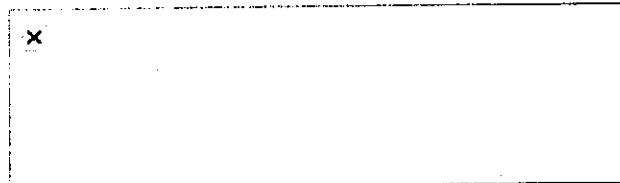
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## Sam's Club is Corporate Chair of Center for Women's Business Research

# Symposium on Businesses Owned by Women of Color

Washington, DC – Sam's Club is the premier sponsor and corporate chair of the Center for Women's Business Research symposium, *Research to Roadmap: Accelerating the Growth of Businesses Owned by Women of Color.* The program will focus on the results of first-of-its kind research seeking to answer how and why the world is different for women of color business owners.

The symposium, to be held May 6th and 7th in Washington, DC, will present the findings of three years of research to identify obstacles to business growth faced by women business owners who are African-American, Latina, Asian or other ethnicities. The research will provide a roadmap for overcoming obstacles at the personal, community, and national levels.

Leading the discussion of what the results mean for corporate marketing, supplier diversity and internal leadership will be Sam's Club's executive vice president for merchandising, Greg Spragg, who is the keynote speaker at the May 7th luncheon.

Wachovia is the Visionary sponsor for the symposium and will also host a session.

Three outstanding women business owners are symposium co-chairs: Dr. Faye E. Coleman, president & CEO of Westover Consultants, Inc. located in Bethesda, Maryland; Maria de Lourdes Sobrino, founder & CEO of Lulu's Dessert Corporation of Anaheim, California; and Joyce Takiguchi, co-founder and president of Comstar International, Inc. in College Point, New York.

"Never before in our nation has the public spotlight been directed so intensely on the issues of race and gender," said Margaret A. Smith, chair, Center for Women's Business Research. "Our symposium will deepen the exploration of the intersection of race and gender by adding the dimension of entrepreneurship. We are very excited about bringing new insights to those who can use this knowledge to create more opportunities for women business owners of color."

Calls to action based on study results and interactive discussions will be part of the symposium. Corporate and government decision-makers, educators, and non-profit leaders will be challenged to establish programs and undertake initiatives that will create greater opportunities for women business owners.

The first release of the Center's 2008 updated estimates of the current number of businesses owned by women of color will take place at the symposium. Wells Fargo is the exclusive sponsor of the new analysis that also includes estimates of the revenues and employment figures for these firms.

The symposium will bring together the women business owners who participated in the research, other leading women business owners, non-profit leaders, policy makers, corporate marketing and diversity

executives, as well as academic scholars and media.

For information about how to participate in the symposium, contact Leslie Figueroa at lfigueroa@womensbusinessresearch.org. To register: www.cfwbr.org/register.

The research on *Accelerating the Growth and Success of Businesses Owned by Women of Color* has been funded by a prestigious consortium of corporate and association sponsors. In 2008, the corporate sponsors are: Sam's Club; Wachovia; Wells Fargo; Verizon; OPEN from American Express; Time Warner; UPS Capital, MasterCard; American Airlines; Ernst & Young; United States Postal Service (USPS); and PepsiCo.

Leading women business owner organizations and other non-profit organizations have recognized the importance of this research to the women's entrepreneurship community and have taken a sponsorship position. They are: the National Association of Women Business Owners (NAWBO); National Women's Business Council (NWBC); Women Impacting Public Policy (WIPP); Women's Business Enterprise National Council (WBENC); Women Presidents' Organization (WPO); and Women's Leadership Exchange (WLE).

Enterprising Women and We USA are the media sponsors for the symposium.

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**About the Center for Women's Business Research**
The Center for Women's Business Research provides data-driven knowledge that advances the economic, social, and political impact of women business owners and their enterprises. We do this by setting the national agenda; creating insight on the status and achievements of women business owners; altering perceptions about the economic viability and progress of women-owned enterprises, and driving awareness of the economic and social impact of this vital business sector. For more information, visit www.womensbusinessresearch.org.

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**From:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 04, 2008 10:19 AM
**To:** Smith; Lynne M (GOV)
**Subject:** FW: Weekly: Straight Talk on Trade

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**From:** membership@uschamber.com [mailto:membership@uschamber.com]
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 04, 2008 10:15 AM
**To:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
**Subject:** Weekly: Straight Talk on Trade

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**March 4, 2008**

### Straight Talk on Trade

By Tom Donohue

Primaries in Texas and Ohio today could determine the Democratic nominee for president. For many voters, the election will be a referendum on free trade, particularly the North American Free Trade Agreement.

Let's have some straight talk on trade. What do Americans say they want from free trade agreements? Many want protection for American workers, consumers, and the environment; the creation of good-paying jobs; and a level playing field. Are we achieving those goals?

Join the conversation.

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### Capital Roundup

**Here are a few of the exclusive stories appearing on our Web site this week. Visit uschambermagazine.com for the very latest news, updates, and special features.**

**BCLC Now Accepting Nominees for 2008 Corporate Citizenship Awards**
The Chamber's Business Civic Leadership Center (BCLC) is now accepting nominations from companies and chambers of commerce for its 9th annual Corporate Citizenship Awards.

**SCORE Offers Web Resources for Older Entrepreneurs**
SCORE, "Counselors to America's Small Business," unveiled a new section of its Web site specifically geared for baby boomer and retirement-age entrepreneurs over 50.

**Chamber Applauds Trade Bill, Denounces Energy Tax Proposal**
In a victory for the Chamber and its members, the House overwhelmingly approved a bill to extend a trade program with Andean countries.

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–Chamber Executive Vice Presi and Chief Operating Officer Dav Chavern quoted in the *India Ga* on the importance of protecting intellectual property, Feb. 26

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association involved in early childhood education? If so, the Chamber's Institute for Competitive Workforce (ICW) wants to know. Take ICW's "2 Minute Survey on Pre-K."

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**From:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored) [governor@alaska.gov]

**Sent:** Tuesday, March 04, 2008 10:20 AM

**To:** Spencer; Kari L (GOV)

**Cc:** Wilken; Jessica M (GOV); Provost; Kathryn T (GOV)

**Subject:** FW: SB224 - take out appropriaton of $8,900,000 to DNR for the South Denali Access Road Design and Construction Project

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**From:** judith anderegg [mailto:comoxjd@gci.net]
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 04, 2008 10:06 AM
**To:** Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)
**Subject:** Fwd: SB224 - take out appropriaton of $8,900,000 to DNR for the South Denali Access Road Design and Construction Project

Governor Palin -

We know that this is not an issue that has come to you yet, but we wanted to forward our concerns to you because whether or not this appropriation goes through the development of the visitor center for Denali State Park is in the planning stages and needs careful planning and development. We have been involved in efforts regarding developing a visitor center for Denali State Park for about twenty years. We support developing the park so that residents, visitors and tourists may all enjoy the wilderness experience. We do not support a piecemeal approach which we fear will lead to the eventual destruction of more wilderness.

Thank you for hearing our concerns,

Judith Anderegg and David Pelto

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** judith anderegg <comoxjd@gci.net>
**Date:** March 4, 2008 9:59:49 AM AKST
**To:** Senator_Lyda_Green@legis.state.ak.us, Senator_Johnny_Ellis@legis.state.ak.us, Senator_Lyman_Hoffman@legis.state.ak.us, Senator_Bert_Stedman@legis.state.ak.us, "Sen. Charlie Huggins" <Senator_Charlie_Huggins@legis.state.ak.us>, Senator_Kim_Elton@legis.state.ak.us, Senator_Donald_Olson@legis.state.ak.us, Senator_Joe_Thomas@legis.state.ak.us, Senator_Fred_Dyson@legis.state.ak.us
**Cc:** "Rep. Stoltze" <Rep_Bill_Stoltze@legis.state.ak.us>, Representative Gatto <Rep_Carl_Gatto@legis.state.ak.us>, Representative Neuman <Rep_Mark_Neuman@legis.state.ak.us>, Representative Harris <Rep_John_Harris@legis.state.ak.us>, Representative Keller <Rep_Wes_Keller@legis.state.ak.us>
**Subject: SB224 - take out appropriaton of $8,900,000 to DNR for the South Denali Access Road Design and Construction Project**

Please remove the appropriation of $8,900,000 from "2008 transportation project fund" in SB 224 to DNR for the South Denali Access Road design and construction project.
We know that the road is supposed to be a part of the development for the South Denali Visitor Center, but since there is no funding yet to build, staff, or maintain the proposed visitor center, the planning and construction of a road would be premature. It is our understanding that the proposed road if built now would simply deadend on Curry Ridge. The Ridge and all the

surrounding wilderness would be accessible to motorized traffic and vulnerable to destruction. Without a visitor center and the attending park ranger staff presence that will come with such a facility, State Parks does not have the staff or funding to protect and manage a wilderness area at the end of a road. We are Mat-Su Bourough residents. We live in the Butte and we also have a cabin up near the proposed project. We have witnessed the physical destruction and constant mayhem that arises when there is an unmanaged road that gives unfettered access to ATVs to the wilderness – read that Jim Creek Road. (If you are unaware of Jim Creek/Knik River problems – please consult any Mat-Su legislator or the State Troopers or DNR.) We enjoy the peace and quiet of the wilderness up near the proposed visitor center. We understand and support the need for a visitor center for Denali State Park to give people access to the park, but we do not support building this development on a piecemeal basis. If any of you were to fly over the area which encompasses the park, you would already see the physical destruction of vast amounts of acreage that ATVs have access to – simply by driving off the Parks Highway onto the tundra.

If South Denali is to be developed it needs to be done right. The road should be part of the total construction project not a separate, initial effort. If the State wants to begin to fund the South Denali project, but not fund the entire project we suggest that the state do the following:

1. purchase Parks Highway inholdings within one mile of the proposed access road and work with the Mat-Su Borough to develop regulations for the area.
2. fund DNR staff to work with the Mat-Su Borough to develop land use regulations for the actual proposed site and surrounding area before any actual project construction begins
3. fund DNR staff to work with appropriate governmental officials (both on federal and state level) to work out plans for how the entire project will be designed and built and then staffed, maintained, and operated. For instance, we have heard that the state's annual share for running the facility will be $500,000. Has anybody sat down and figured how this will be paid every year, let alone build the facility?

Again, please remove the appropriation of $8,900,000 from "2008 transportation project fund" in SB 224 to DNR for the South Denali Access Road design and construction project.

Thank you for this opportunity to comment,
Judith Anderegg and David Pelto

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**From:** ZACHARY OSBORN [ZCOSBORN@PSEA.NET]

**Sent:** Tuesday, March 04, 2008 8:58 PM

**To:** Palin; Sarah H (GOV); Parnell; Sean R (GOV); Kreitzer; Annette E (DOA)

**Subject:** Concerns of a young state employee

Govenor Palin, LT. Govenor Parnell, Commissioner Kreitzer:

Let me preface this correspondence by thanking you for taking the time to read this email outlining some of my concerns regarding the state of affairs affecting myself and other law enforcement officers throughout the State system.

My name is Zachary Osborn, and I work as an Airport Police & Fire Officer at Fairbanks International. I have been employed for about two and a half years in this capacity. I was initially hired with three other recruits in 2005. Once my hiring cycle was complete, my department no longer had any vacancies due to successful hiring processes throughout 2004 and 2005. In total, spring of 2004- spring of 2006 yielded a total of 12 new hires for the airport. Of those 12 hired, only myself and Officer Dickerson, who is currently on military deployment overseas, are the only two who have not resigned or been terminated. Expressed in other terms, the retention rate for new hires at Fairbanks Airport from 2004 to 2008 is a shockingly dismal 17%! As of today, 65% of the Officers at this department have less than two years of experience, and less than 25% of Officers have three or more years of service. Currently 40% of the command staff (Sergeants and Lieutenant) is eligible for retirement.

The inability of my department to effectively recruit and retain quality employees has reached epidemic proportions. With the inception of Tier IV retirement benefits and continued sub-par wages, there is no reason to think that the current several-year trend will change. The job of any state police officer presents numerous challenges individually, and to one's family- as many Troopers and APFOs have outlined in their letters to you. The difficulty in recruitment and retention of Airport Police & Fire Officers is compounded by the necessity that a recruit receive full state police certification, fire-fighting certification, aircraft rescue certification and EMS certification- all the while being paid a full range below Trooper recruits. As you have been informed by many Troopers, their wage is still too low to attract worthwhile, long-term employees.

I understand that the State desires to be fiscally responsible and control spending lest we be unprepared for lean times that may come. Nevertheless, a true need exists within our growing economy and burgeoning communities for the best and brightest to stand ready to answer when and where problems and emergencies arise. The State cannot afford to allow law enforcement agencies to continue their downward slide. Action must be taken to increase the appeal of State police jobs to encourage those who are capable and willing to accept the challenges these tasking jobs require to join the ranks and remain for years to come. I hope that it is understood that we are not seeking government largess, but merely competitive wages and benefits commensurate with the work and challenges we deal with on a daily basis.

Please prioritize the needs of those who are tasked with protecting the citizens of Alaska so that our ability to provide first-rate service to those under our charge never diminishes.

Sincerely,

Zachary Osborn
Fairbanks Airport Police & Fire

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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 04, 2008 4:55 AM
**To:** Katz; John W (GOV); Rehfeld; Karen J (GOV)
**Cc:** George; Jamilia A (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Nyholm; Allison J (GOV)
**Subject:** Re: Denali Commission/Funding

I agree - Karen [Privileged or Personal Material Redacted] ?

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-----Original Message-----

From: "John Katz" <jwkatz@ALASKADC.org>

Date: Tue, 04 Mar 2008 08:11:15

To:"Karen J (GOV) Rehfeld" <karen.rehfeld@alaska.gov>

Cc:"Jamilia A (GOV) George" <jamilia.george@alaska.gov>,"Michael A (GOV) Tibbles" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>,"Allison Nyholm" <anyholm@ALASKADC.org>,"ExternalEmailgsp" <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Subject: RE: Denali Commission/Funding

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Please note that my email address has changed. My new email address is <mailto:jwkatz@alaskadc.org> jwkatz@alaskadc.org. Thank you .

>>> On 3/3/2008 at 8:03 PM, in message <77CCEB7FC74B6E46A753E1A17CFC5CDA9159FF@SOAJNUMSG03.soa.alaska.gov>, "Rehfeld, Karen J (GOV)" <karen.rehfeld@alaska.gov> wrote:

The State of Alaska contributes a significant amount of funding to rural Alaska in areas funded by the Denali Commission on an annual basis. What we have not done a good job of is connecting state resources with those of the Denali Commission. As the governor's co-chair designee, I have been trying to figure out how best to accomplish that in terms of conflicting budget cycles and processes.

Absent a direct appropriation of state GF for Denali Commission projects, there will continue to be criticism that we are not "partnering" with the commission. DCCED has been recommending that we take a pretty strong stand on rural policy issues and drive the discussion with the commission. I continue to say we are making progress and believe that we are.

I also know that George intends to work with the legislature to add funds to the state budget - don't know what that looks like yet and I have asked him to let me know what he is advocating for - KJR

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Karen J. Rehfeld, Director

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From: John Katz [mailto:jwkatz@ALASKADC.org]

Sent: Monday, March 03, 2008 10:56 AM

To: Rehfeld, Karen J (GOV)

Cc: George, Jamilia A (GOV); Nyholm, Allison J (GOV); ExternalEmailgsp

Subject: Denali Commission/Funding

I wanted to make sure that you had seen this. Implicating the State is not fair or accurate, but I'm not sure how many of these we can respond to.

Alaska Newsreader

Today's news for the Last Frontier

By Terry Carr

Published: March 3rd, 2008 10:15 AM

Last Modified: March 3rd, 2008 10:19 AM

Denali Commission on shaky ground. Sen. Ted Stevens says the commission he created that has been responsible for pumping tens of millions of dollars into Alaska projects, most of them rural, faces an uncertain future, according to an <http://www.alaskajournal.com/stories/030208/hom_20080302002.shtml> Alaska Journal of Commerce story. Federal funding cuts and slim contributions from the state are putting it in jeopardy, he told the paper.

The commission has about $110 million to spend this year, down from $130 million last year and $150 million three years ago, the story says. Gov. Sarah Palin has said she backs the commission but has made no commitments so far, according to co-chair George Cannelos, co-chair of the commission.

Please note that my email address has changed. My new email address is <mailto:jwkatz@alaskadc.org> jwkatz@alaskadc.org. Thank you .

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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 04, 2008 4:54 AM
**To:** Katz; John W (GOV); Hanrahan; Jo Ellen (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
**Subject:** Re: op ed

Thank you!

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From: "John Katz" <jwkatz@ALASKADC.org>

Date: Tue, 04 Mar 2008 08:01:59

To:"Jo Ellen (GOV) Hanrahan" <jo.ellen.hanrahan@alaska.gov>,"Sharon W (GOV) Leighow" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>

Cc:"Sarah Palin" <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Subject: Re: op ed

It may be too late, but here are a couple of comments.

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Thanks for the chance to review.

Please note that my email address has changed. My new email address is <mailto:jwkatz@alaskadc.org> jwkatz@alaskadc.org. Thank you .

>>> On 3/3/2008 at 6:57 PM, in message <41AD1B17A04BD8448ABBB348230CC93D5FD138
@SOAANCMSG04.soa.alaska.gov>, "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov> wrote:

Jo Ellen, John

This is the final draft of the Governor's op ed. Please send me your approval - or any chances you may have.

Thank you

Sharon Leighow

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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 04, 2008 12:58 PM
**To:** Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Frank Bailey; Ivy personal; Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Rutherford; Marty K (DNR)
**Subject:** Re: Delayed

Tom: an aside- but surely Clark's plea vindicates us with oil/gas efforts? We inherited such a clustered up tainted, corrupt mess. It's such a gross thing to consider that this recent revelation is probably just the tip of the ice berg re: Clark and Murky's activities. I just read a list of Murky's campaign fundraisers/treasurers... The list itself tells such a story.

The list speaks to other tainted issues like CON, fisheries and ethics reform efforts and why we feel we're beating our heads against the wall some days. It also makes one even more curious about the motivation of some of the Mukry hanger-on-ers in Juneau... many whom I still don't know well enough to be able to trust.

Just thinking out loud - and sharing with you how much I appreciate all of you and your kick butt work for Alaska!!!

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Irwin, Tom E (DNR)" <tom.irwin@alaska.gov>

Date: Tue, 04 Mar 2008 12:42:41

To:gov.sarah@yahoo.com,"Rutherford, Marty K (DNR)" <marty.rutherford@alaska.gov>,"Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>

Subject: Re: Delayed

We have scheduled a break in the remand hearing from 11:30 to 2:00 tomorrow. Marty and I can both tie in from your Anchorage conf room. I will be glad to make a statement. Safe travels. Tom

----- Original Message -----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

To: Irwin, Tom E (DNR); Rutherford, Marty K (DNR); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)

Sent: Tue Mar 04 11:39:15 2008

Subject: Re: Delayed

Tom: tomorrow?

And great article about first step of PTU rehearing... I am so confident this will go well, driven by wisdom and protection of AK's future. Thank you

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From: "Irwin, Tom E (DNR)" <tom.irwin@alaska.gov>

Date: Tue, 04 Mar 2008 11:07:11

To:gov.sarah@yahoo.com,"Rutherford, Marty K (DNR)" <marty.rutherford@alaska.gov>,"Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>

Subject: Re: Delayed

I can get an hour at noon.  Can marty and I help?

----- Original Message -----

From: Rutherford, Marty K (DNR)

To: Irwin, Tom E (DNR)

Sent: Tue Mar 04 11:05:08 2008

Subject: Re: Delayed

We could do noon tomorrow here in Anchoprage, which was one of the options offerred by Governor!

----- Original Message -----

From: Irwin, Tom E (DNR)

To: Rutherford, Marty K (DNR)

Sent: Tue Mar 04 10:55:00 2008

Subject: Fw: Delayed

Any ideas?  You and I could do noon today or tomorrow by video,

----- Original Message -----

From: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)

To: ExternalEmailgsp; Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Irwin, Tom E (DNR); Frank Bailey <ftb907@yahoo.com>; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Todd <fek9wnr@yahoo.com>; Nizich, Michael A (GOV)

Sent: Tue Mar 04 10:49:07 2008

Subject: RE: Delayed

Governor,

DNR folks are tied up in the Pt Thomson hearing. I was thinking that we could

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Mike

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com <mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com> <mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com <mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com> > ]

Sent: Tuesday, March 04, 2008 10:44 AM

To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Irwin, Tom E (DNR); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Frank Bailey; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Todd; Nizich, Michael A (GOV)

Subject: Delayed

I'm delayed again in Seattle - the coonecting flt's already gone. Won't get in til 8 tonight, via milk run. Checking on other options, perhaps flying to Anchorage instead of waiting here til 3pm to try to get a seat on that next Juneau flt.

Pls announce Steve anyway today. Have him say a few words after an intro by any DNR folks who may be available? If no one's around then wait til tomorrow, tho I hate for press to know I was out of town for a day and couldnt get back in time for scheduled Juneau committments.

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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 04, 2008 12:45 PM
**To:** Meghan Stapleton
**Cc:** Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
**Subject:** Re: SPEECH RE: CLARK CORRUPTION

Oh, excellent. Let me work on this just a tweak, and I will be making a statement about this tomorrow before announcing in our press availability that we've finally got an Energy Coordinator coming on board.

This is excellent. It's pretty gross to know that there are still Clark/Murkowski apologists around the capitol - it's hard to know who to trust amongst the hanger-on-ers down there... and in Anchorage, and in the media. Clark's corruption plea should -you'd think - hush some of the awful criticism so many of us hear re: oil and gas... We inherited a clustered up, tainted mess and it's no wonder it's taken "so long" to undo some of this.

I'm stuck in Seattle so can't do today's scheduled press conf, but tomorrow works.

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From: Meghan Stapleton <Privileged or Personal Mater.com>

Date: Tue, 4 Mar 2008 07:38:41

To:<gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Cc:<kris.perry@alaska.gov>, <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>

Subject: SPEECH RE: CLARK CORRUPTION

Governor,

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Here is a speech that I wrote as an Alaskan in just the last thirty minutes. I am fuming and no doubt Alaskans are, but again, they are probably going through the same emotions as last spring.

I would be happy to talk with you, if you need an ear.

Warm regards,

Meghan

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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 04, 2008 12:29 PM
**To:** Kelly; Russell T (GOV)
**Cc:** Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Leschper; Beth (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
**Subject:** Re: briefing

Thanks Russ- I'll go over all this now, and I appreciate your info

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-----Original Message-----

From: "Kelly, Russell T (GOV)" <russ.kelly@alaska.gov>

Date: Tue, 04 Mar 2008 09:43:28

To:Sarah Palin <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Cc:"Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>,"Leschper, Beth (GOV)" <beth.leschper@alaska.gov>,"Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>

Subject: briefing

I understand you are running to make a connection, so here is what we have for now...

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Sen. Cowdery returned to Juneau yesterday and there is some speculation that it's because the Senate Majority needs him for a few close votes.

ABORTION: Rep. Coghill's bill on parental consent (HB 364) moved out of House Judiciary on Friday...after 6 hours of public testimony and debate. It now moves to Finance. Rep. Coghill and his staff are aware that you support their efforts.

EDUCATION: We had hoped the legislature would adopt our education plan and that there was funding available for the plan BUT, there are good aspects of the bill that passed the Senate yesterday. The bill increases the base student allocation by $100 for each of the next three years, boosts funding for students with intensive needs, provides more money for high-cost school districts, protects districts with declining enrollment and adjusts state reimbursements for transportation costs. I expect we will hear more from school districts on that.

Sen. Therriault made a statement on the Senate floor yesterday during debate on an amendment to increase the base student rate to $200. He pointed out that $22 million was being argued as too much, while in just 15 minutes, the Senate Finance Committee inserted $50 million into the FY 08 Supplemental to fund previously vetoed capital projects.

Sen. Wilken today is making behind the scenes efforts to inform Senators that the $100 BSA increase only results in a net increase of $11.52 due to the elimination of the school improvement grants. He will also counter Sen. Elton's statement on the floor yesterday about unsustainable growth in the out years, by explaining that the amount would not grow.

Sen. Wilken plans to state on the Senate floor today, during reconsideration of HB 273, that he is hopeful that if the funding is not included in this bill, that the $22 million will be appropriated in the operating or capital budget.

Sen. Wilken intends to point out that the campaign platforms of all the senators is in support of education. He wants to force those in opposition to the increased BSA to make statements on the record.

VETOES: The Senate brought back $51 million in '08 vetoes and placed them in the supplemental budget. It is too soon to say if I will veto the projects that were put back in to the budget. There is a lot of work left to do on the supplemental bill and the public will also weigh in on the projects that were added. But overall spending last year was too high.

We have included requests for capital projects in the supplemental bill - for things like DOTPF projects that are ready to go to bid and that could be started in this construction season rather than wait for a July 1 fiscal year start date. That however is very different from revisiting items that were vetoed - we would prefer to work with the legislature on the overall spending/savings plan for FY08 and FY09 - and, we do not yet know what that looks like!

It is difficult to see the whole picture of the budget - since the operating budget is just on the House Floor - capital budget doesn't start in earnest until next week - basically lots of work left to do.

SB 168: Senate Bill 168 effectively caps the total passenger tax at $50, and cities such as Juneau and Ketchikan would be paid out of that money for the passenger taxes they levied themselves. The bill sets the maximum rebate to cities at $10 a passenger. Lawmakers amended the bill so it would be effective in 2009 instead of being retroactive and returned it to the Rules Committee. Too early to say if you would veto this (Bob Tkacz may ask).

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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 04, 2008 11:04 AM
**To:** Leschper; Beth (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Kelly; Russell T (GOV)
**Subject:** Fw: legislature

Excellent pt by LtGov, I'll use his line in my response to leggies' action on budget:

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Date: Tue, 4 Mar 2008 20:02:37

To:"Sean Personal" <sr.parnell@alaska.gov>

Subject: Re: legislature

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Date: Tue, 04 Mar 2008 10:55:35

To:gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Subject: FW: legislature

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From: Hooley, Jason M (GOV)

Sent: Tuesday, March 04, 2008 10:17 AM

To: PARNELL, S (GOV sponsored)

Cc: Pullins, Jay D (GOV); Showalter, Kristine D (GOV); Morgan, Katryn L (GOV)

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**Subject:** Re: Delayed

I agree I should be there. Darn it, sorry this is blundered on my end - and as I'm stuck in the airport waiting for the milk run I chuckle at this glamorous governors life-stuff! Thanks, all. We'll do it tomorrow.

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Date: Tue, 04 Mar 2008 10:49:07

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Sent: Tuesday, March 04, 2008 10:44 AM

To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Irwin, Tom E (DNR); Tibbles, Michael A

(GOV); Frank Bailey; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Todd; Nizich, Michael A (GOV)

Subject: Delayed

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**Sent:** Tuesday, March 04, 2008 8:22 PM
**To:** PARNELL; S (GOV sponsored); mike.tibbles@yahoo.com
**Subject:** Re: Senate letter

This is good and more consise. We need to get this out tomorrow Mike. Privileged or Personal

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From: "PARNELL, S (GOV sponsored)" <sr.parnell@alaska.gov>

Date: Tue, 04 Mar 2008 20:10:26

To:gov.sarah@yahoo.com, mike.tibbles@yahoo.com

Subject: Senate letter

Governor,

Thought I'd put in my two cents while we still have the letter in our possession. The message/content was right on to begin with. I simply worked to tighten and strengthen the message.

Sean

March 4, 2008

The Honorable Lyda Green

President of the Senate

State Capitol, Room

Juneau, AK 99801

Dear Madam President:

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Sincerely,

Sarah Palin

Governor

Cc: Senators

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| **From:** | Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored) [govpalin@alaska.gov] |
| **Sent:** | Tuesday, March 04, 2008 6:38 PM |
| **To:** | Mason; Janice L (GOV) |
| **Cc:** | Perry; Kristina Y (GOV) |
| **Subject:** | Sched |

Pls add to yesterdays schedule met with Ben Stein in LA re: ASMI seafood marketing (in morning before that LA tv show appearance).

I don't know if you received my email on that yesterday.

Also, I'm doing stop-bys with those mayors that I now see on my schedule tomorrow instead of having mtgs with them before press availability. No time to get everything caught up on before talking to the press if I'm obligated to meet with more of these communities in last-minute meetings. COS and others will have to start taking more of those mtgs, esp ones that bump up against opportunities to speak to Alaskans via press conferences.

There's a lot going on in legislature that I'll be asked about tomorrow, and trying to follow it all without regular updates from staff is tough- sometimes the media I find available on-line doesn't cover it all. I'll have to catch up myself tomorrow morning.

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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 04, 2008 6:07 PM
**To:** Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Sean personal2
**Subject:** Re: response to revisiting vetoes

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From: "Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>

Date: Tue, 04 Mar 2008 17:36:11

To:ExternalEmailgsp <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Subject: RE: response to revisiting vetoes

Thank you. I have attached a revision for your review. If you would like to finalize it, we can deliver it first thing in the morning prior to the Senate going to the floor for a vote.

Mike

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**Subject:** Re: Earmarks Op-Ed: 350 words submitted to newsminer today

Sure.

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From: "Leighow, Sharon W (GOV)" <sharon.leighow@alaska.gov>

Date: Tue, 04 Mar 2008 16:44:02

To:ExternalEmailgsp <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>, Frank Bailey <ftb907@yahoo.com>,"Leschper, Beth (GOV)" <beth.leschper@alaska.gov>,"Katz, John W (GOV)" <jwkatz@alaskadc.org>

Subject: RE: Earmarks Op-Ed: 350 words submitted to newsminer today

Governor -

The News Miner just called and wants to change:

I have never said that "earmarks are nothing more than pork projects being shoveled home by an overeager congressional delegation."

To

I have never suggested that earmarks are nothing more than .....

They suggest the change because they did not quote you. I think it is reasonable.

Thoughts?

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com [mailto:gov.sarah@yahoo.com]

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To: Frank Bailey; Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Leschper, Beth (GOV); Katz, John W (GOV)

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Date: Tue, 4 Mar 2008 16:31:36

To:Sarah Palin <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>, krisandclark@yahoo.com, Todd Palin <fek9wnr@yahoo.com>, ivyfrye@yahoo.com

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**To:** Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
**Subject:** Re: Pat Forgey/Empire

I'll try at next milk run landing.

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Date: Tue, 04 Mar 2008 17:19:27

To:Sarah Palin <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

Subject: Pat Forgey/Empire

Governor-

Pat wanted to know if you could give him a call regarding Jim Clark. I did not promise anything saying you were traveling but I did tell him I would try. He is at 586-4816

Clark's included you in his apology today-

"I specifically apologize to then candidates for governor in the 2006 Republican primary, John Binkley and Sarah Palin. Nothing can justify breaking Alaska's campaign finance laws to unfairly benefit one candidate. Such actions hit at the heart of our democratic system by making the public cynical about government.

"I apologize, too, to Governor Frank Murkowski who trusted me to follow the law while acting in his behalf. I recognize that some people will unfairly attribute what I have done to him."

Sharon Leighow

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**Sent:** Tuesday, March 04, 2008 3:26 PM
**To:** Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
**Cc:** Mason; Janice L (GOV)
**Subject:** FW: Other

-----Original Message-----

From: WebMail@gov.state.ak.us [mailto:WebMail@gov.state.ak.us]

Sent: Tuesday, March 04, 2008 3:29 PM

To: Governor Sarah Palin (GOV sponsored)

Subject: Other

Web mail from: Mr. John Mote

address: 3614 Frank Barwick Rd. La Grange NC 28551

919-921-1644

MESSAGE:

Honorable Governor Palin,

Would you consider running with John McCain as Vice-President. I feel that having you on the ticket would be a tremendous asset to the Republician Party, and might be the only possible way to defeat the Democrats. I know that there is considerable talk in my area about a McCain Palin ticket.

Very Best Regards,

TSGT (USAF) John S. Mote

john.mote@seymourjohnson.af.mil

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**From:** Chad & Kelly Goeden [chelly@gci.net]
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 04, 2008 2:20 PM
**To:** Palin; Sarah H (GOV); Kreitzer; Annette E (DOA)
**Subject:** Letter to Governor Palin

Chad J. Goeden

3260 Hillary Ave.

Fairbanks, AK 99709

457-2908

March 3, 2008

Dear Governor Palin,

Like you, I believe that AGIA is vital to the future of Alaska's economy. I also believe that it is coming, and we need to start preparing for it now. The reality is that when the construction of the pipeline begins, this state will be flooded with hundreds of young adult male blue collar workers who will be making more money than they have ever made in their lives. While most of them will not cause problems, they are, statistically speaking, the demographic that causes the largest problem for law enforcement and the criminal justice system as a whole. Our state's criminal justice system is at its breaking point as it is. When we are faced with the additional strains brought on by the pipeline workers, there is only one way to be prepared; by having an adequate number of trained, loyal law enforcement officers in place. While you have no control over the hiring of officers in municipal departments, you have tremendous say in the recruitment and retention of troopers. As a 12 year trooper, I am very concerned about the future of our department, especially when the pipeline comes.

Many people say that the Anchorage Police Department is the trooper's biggest competition, but I disagree. I believe that our biggest competition will be whichever company is chosen to build the pipeline. When that company starts hiring, the troopers need to be satisfied enough in

their jobs that they will not "jump ship." And the only way to have experienced, loyal troopers in place when this pipeline construction begins is to start hiring enough now. No matter how you or anyone feels about how much current troopers earn, the reality is that based on our lack of ability to fill the open spots we have now, potential applicants do not believe that starting pay is high enough. If they felt otherwise, we would have thousands of applicants to choose from, which was the case in the not too distant past when the troopers were the highest paid law enforcement agency in the state. Once the pipeline construction starts, it's too late. Even if we did suddenly raise starting wages then and hire the troopers we need, they would have no experience. They would be new, they would make mistakes because we wouldn't be able to train them in time, and the state would suffer in the long run. No one can deny that a four year trooper is more effective and efficient than a four month trooper.

By raising the starting salaries of troopers now, it becomes a win, win, win situation. It's a win for you because you are saying to the people of Alaska "I believe so much in AGIA that I am starting to put the infrastructure in place now." It is a win for the people of Alaska, because they are being provided with the law enforcement protection they want and deserve. And finally it would be a win for the department and the troopers because for the first time in years, we would have the manpower needed to do the job people of the state expect from us. We would be getting paid an adequate wage, which would then be spent in the businesses of the state, improving the economy everywhere we serve.

AGIA is exciting and glamorous. But leading the charge to Alaska's future means more than getting the parties involved to agree. Believing in AGIA means laying the ground work and putting the infrastructure in place before it's too late. Do you believe in AGIA?

Sincerely,

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**From:** Irwin, Tom E (DNR) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=TEIRWIN]
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 04, 2008 1:25 PM
**To:** 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'; 'ftb907@yahoo.com'; 'ivyfrye@yahoo.com'; Perry; Kristina Y (GOV); Rutherford; Marty K (DNR)
**Subject:** Re: Delayed

There is only a very select few I completely trust also. From what we experienced I am sure the tentacles of history, money and power reach too far. Thank God things are changing. We just need to keep praying for wisdom to do things right. We have lots of energy to correct this, also our heads are thick - banging them on the wall doesn't seem to hurt :)

Don't forget - we are here because of you! God bless. Tom

----- Original Message -----

From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

To: Irwin, Tom E (DNR); Frank Bailey <ftb907@yahoo.com>; Ivy personal <ivyfrye@yahoo.com>; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Rutherford, Marty K (DNR)

Sent: Tue Mar 04 12:57:38 2008

Subject: Re: Delayed

Tom: an aside- but surely Clark's plea vindicates us with oil/gas efforts? We inherited such a clustered up tainted, corrupt mess. It's such a gross thing to consider that this recent revelation is probably just the tip of the ice berg re: Clark and Murky's activities. I just read a list of Murky's campaign fundraisers/treasurers... The list itself tells such a story.

The list speaks to other tainted issues like CON, fisheries and ethics reform efforts and why we feel we're beating our heads against the wall some days. It also makes one even more curious about the motivation of some of the Mukry hanger-on-ers in Juneau... many whom I still don't know well enough to be able to trust.

Just thinking out loud - and sharing with you how much I appreciate all of you and your kick butt work for Alaska!!!

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From: "Irwin, Tom E (DNR)" <tom.irwin@alaska.gov>

Date: Tue, 04 Mar 2008 12:42:41

To:gov.sarah@yahoo.com,"Rutherford, Marty K (DNR)" <marty.rutherford@alaska.gov>,"Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>

Subject: Re: Delayed

We have scheduled a break in the remand hearing from 11:30 to 2:00 tomorrow. Marty and I can both tie in from your Anchorage conf room. I will be glad to make a statement. Safe travels. Tom

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

To: Irwin, Tom E (DNR); Rutherford, Marty K (DNR); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)

Sent: Tue Mar 04 11:39:15 2008

Subject: Re: Delayed

Tom: tomorrow?

And great article about first step of PTU rehearing... I am so confident this will go well, driven by wisdom and protection of AK's future. Thank you

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Subject: Re: Delayed

I can get an hour at noon. Can marty and I help?

----- Original Message -----

From: Rutherford, Marty K (DNR)

To: Irwin, Tom E (DNR)

Sent: Tue Mar 04 11:05:08 2008

Subject: Re: Delayed

We could do noon tomorrow here in Anchoprage, which was one of the options offerred by Governor!

----- Original Message -----

From: Irwin, Tom E (DNR)

To: Rutherford, Marty K (DNR)

Sent: Tue Mar 04 10:55:00 2008

Subject: Fw: Delayed

Any ideas? You and I could do noon today or tomorrow by video,

----- Original Message -----

From: Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)

To: ExternalEmailgsp; Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Irwin, Tom E (DNR); Frank Bailey <ftb907@yahoo.com>; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Todd <fek9wnr@yahoo.com>; Nizich, Michael A (GOV)

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Sent: Tuesday, March 04, 2008 10:44 AM

To: Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Irwin, Tom E (DNR); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV); Frank Bailey; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Todd; Nizich, Michael A (GOV)

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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 04, 2008 1:20 PM
**To:** Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
**Subject:** Fw: Fbi

Just a head's up- my suspicions that the CON may be included in corruption probes. Murky and Gilbertson stopped any flexibility in CON laws that Providence didn't want, then Gilbertson got the top-dog gig at Providence, then was Murky's fundraiser, now is lobbying Karleen and others hard to continue squashing CON reform. Head's up.

I met him for the first time a few weeks ago- he introduced himself by adding: "How's my best friend, Mike Tibbles? He's my best friend in the world...". It was odd.

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com

Date: Tue, 4 Mar 2008 21:47:49

To:"Frank Bailey" <ftb907@yahoo.com>,"Kris Perry" <kris.perry@alaska.gov>,"Ivy personal" <ivyfrye@yahoo.com>

Subject: Re: Fbi

Did u see on the blog that Gilbertson was one of Murkowski's campaign fundraisers? It's an intersting list... all full of our friends. Kris- pls pass on to Anna that bit of info.

I have a feeling CON is going to be the next corruption cluster.

------Original Message------

From: Frank Bailey

To: Governor Sarah Palin

ReplyTo: Frank Bailey

Sent: Mar 4, 2008 1:37 PM

Subject: Re: Fbi

Wow.

------Original Message------

From: SP

To: Todd Palin

To: Frank Bailey

To: Ivy personal

To: K Perry Yahoo

ReplyTo: SP

Sent: Mar 4, 2008 12:30 PM

Subject: Fbi

Ran into Dyson at airport, he says there will be a couple more people dinged this month. I know we've heard it before, but maybe this is legit. And confidential.

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**From:** Palin, Sarah (GOV sponsored) [govpalin@alaska.gov]
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 04, 2008 1:08 PM
**To:** Mason; Janice L (GOV); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
**Subject:** Hannah

Hi J- when does Hannah leave? I have a good candidate in mind for replacement, someone who could work in the Anchorage office (while hopefully we'll get to snag you more often out of the Juneau office during tourist season and bring you up to where it's hopping in Anchorage!)... and then figuring out the Juneau locale needs later.

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**From:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 04, 2008 1:07 PM
**To:** Irwin; Tom E (DNR); Rutherford; Marty K (DNR); Tibbles; Michael A (GOV); Leighow; Sharon W (GOV)
**Cc:** Leschper; Beth (GOV); Mason; Janice L (GOV)
**Subject:** Re: Delayed

Sounds great- Sharon let's do press during this timeframe.

Tom and Marty you're kicking butt on PTU, and everything else. So glad Clark's plea is validating our efforts, vindicating those who've been criticized all year for cleaning up the Clark/Murky corrupt cluster of oil and gas policy. You two, especially, have not deserved an ounce of the foolish criticism... I pray that others' eyes will be open to the efforts you're making towards justice.

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From: "Irwin, Tom E (DNR)" <tom.irwin@alaska.gov>

Date: Tue, 04 Mar 2008 12:42:41

To:gov.sarah@yahoo.com,"Rutherford, Marty K (DNR)" <marty.rutherford@alaska.gov>,"Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>

Subject: Re: Delayed

We have scheduled a break in the remand hearing from 11:30 to 2:00 tomorrow. Marty and I can both tie in from your Anchorage conf room. I will be glad to make a statement. Safe travels. Tom

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From: gov.sarah@yahoo.com <gov.sarah@yahoo.com>

To: Irwin, Tom E (DNR); Rutherford, Marty K (DNR); Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)

Sent: Tue Mar 04 11:39:15 2008

Subject: Re: Delayed

Tom: tomorrow?

And great article about first step of PTU rehearing... I am so confident this will go well, driven by wisdom and protection of AK's future. Thank you

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To:gov.sarah@yahoo.com,"Rutherford, Marty K (DNR)" <marty.rutherford@alaska.gov>,"Tibbles, Michael A (GOV)" <mike.tibbles@alaska.gov>

Subject: Re: Delayed

I can get an hour at noon. Can marty and I help?

----- Original Message -----

From: Rutherford, Marty K (DNR)

To: Irwin, Tom E (DNR)

Sent: Tue Mar 04 11:05:08 2008

Subject: Re: Delayed

We could do noon tomorrow here in Anchoprage, which was one of the options offerred by Governor!

----- Original Message -----

From: Irwin, Tom E (DNR)

To: Rutherford, Marty K (DNR)

Sent: Tue Mar 04 10:55:00 2008

Subject: Fw: Delayed

Any ideas? You and I could do noon today or tomorrow by video,

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To: ExternalEmailgsp; Leighow, Sharon W (GOV); Irwin, Tom E (DNR); Frank Bailey <ftb907 @yahoo.com>; Perry, Kristina Y (GOV); Todd <fek9wnr@yahoo.com>; Nizich, Michael A (GOV)

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**Sent:** Tuesday, March 04, 2008 5:19 PM

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**Subject:** Pat Forgey/Empire

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**Sent:** Tuesday, March 04, 2008 10:47 AM

**To:** gov.sarah@yahoo.com

**Subject:** coffee?

Good morning!

Are you ready for some coffee or anything else?

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**From:** PARNELL, S (GOV sponsored) [/O=SOA/OU=FIRST ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=SRPARNELL1]
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 04, 2008 10:56 AM
**To:** 'gov.sarah@yahoo.com'
**Subject:** FW: legislature

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**From:** Hooley, Jason M (GOV)
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 04, 2008 10:17 AM
**To:** PARNELL, S (GOV sponsored)
**Cc:** Pullins, Jay D (GOV); Showalter, Kristine D (GOV); Morgan, Katryn L (GOV)
**Subject:** legislature

The Operating Budget is in 3rd reading today on the House floor.

On the Senate floor is the supplemental budget (which includes $51 million of projects that were vetoed last year by the Governor).

JASON HOOLEY
OFFICE OF LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR SEAN PARNELL
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**Sent:** Tuesday, March 04, 2008 1:59 PM
**To:** Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored); Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
**Subject:** RE: Hannah

Hannah's last day will be approx. July 18 (Friday). She has not given official notice yet but has talked about this date. I would ask that if the person is located in the Anchorage office that before Hannah leaves we can make arrangements for the candidate to come down for 2-3 weeks for training or we send Hannah up to train them on the scheduling database. Thanks, Janice

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Sent: Tuesday, March 04, 2008 1:08 PM

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Subject: Hannah

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**Sent:** Tuesday, March 04, 2008 8:10 PM

**To:** Sarah Palin; mike.tibbles@yahoo.com

**Subject:** Senate letter

Governor,
Thought I'd put in my two cents while we still have the letter in our possession.
The message/content was right on to begin with. I simply worked to tighten and strengthen the message.
Sean

March 4, 2008

The Honorable Lyda Green
President of the Senate
State Capitol, Room
Juneau, AK 99801

Dear Madam President:

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**To:** Palin; Sarah (GOV sponsored)
**Cc:** Perry; Kristina Y (GOV)
**Subject:** RE: Sched

I apologize as I did receive the email yesterday on adding Ben Stein to your calendar. It is done. I have sent out email letting staff and COS know that you will be available for short stop-by only on the Mayor meetings scheduled.

I am adding the commercial flights that we have booked for you for the JNU/ANC/FBKS flights this weekend. I have asked that you have the King Air for the weekend if it's available (they have informed me I will have an answer tomorrow afternoon). We were able to book the Aspen Hotel in Fairbanks. Janice

-----Original Message-----

From: Palin, Sarah (GOV sponso